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The Secretary-General has received the following written statement which is circulated in accordance with Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31.

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Bio immunity and public awareness in Iran

Due to human obligations relating to the enjoyment of a safe, clean, healthy environment as Sustainable Development. The need for public awareness on biosafety of genetically modified products is needed .To days with the initiation and spread of new technologies in the field of biotechnology in the world and the presence of its products in the food basket of the people made us to do awareness on seeds which are genetically modified and there are unknown risks of these products on human health and the environment .Many concerns and challenges concerning methods of production exists in the world. Also due to establishment of Great multinational companies for producing Genetically Modified products. The GMO products are destroying our traditional and organic agriculture.

Its purpose is exclusively the sale of seeds and chemical pesticides in the country That ultimately threaten the country's food sovereignty and food security and livelihood security issues with small poor farmers . When transgenic plants with the slogan of agricultural and environmental problem solutions took basic standing to become one of the greatest subject symbols of questions.

Laboratory studies conducted on the products of the seed which are manipulated indicates its toxicity to animals. Who is betting on child health that genetically modified products are used and the effect is unknown. The team emphasized the need for risk assessment of genetically modified products in their criticism of the lack of attention to the control and prevention of cancer and its management.

According tc the above items and due to promote public awareness in the field of GMO in the Islamic Republic of Iran a project is running to implement the Biosafety Protocol,(the Global KARTAHINA)

Therefor some Iranian NGOs engaged in the research and public awareness in the field of GMO through Advocacy, running workshops with Governmental organizations which associated with these products .Which aims the message of new approach to the lifestyle of citizens based on local culture, access to healthy organic products and the knowledge of the nature of the material from seed to table.

The NGOs have international commitment in the implementation and development of the green economy and the preservation of national resources for future generations.

A total 19 European countries say no to GMO and have decided out of growing genetically modified (GMO) crops within all or part of their territories .the massive anti GMO

Genetically modified products in the Islamic Republic of Iran are under the concern and the concern of the public and non-governmental organizations. NGOs has concerns about the safety of law enforcement in the country

Anew Dilemma for 21 century called Bioterrorism.